

## RESOLUTION NO. 2762

### RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CASTAIC LAKE WATER AGENCY ADOPTING A TICKET DISTRIBUTION POLICY

**WHEREAS**, the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) has amended its regulations regarding the distribution to public officials of certain types of tickets or passes to events, and one new provision requires the adoption of a written policy by the Castaic Lake Water Agency (CLWA) Board of Directors before such distribution can be made (see 2 Cal. Code Regs. § 18944.1(b)); and

**WHEREAS**, CLWA's written policy must contain at least those requirements set forth in § 18944.1(b); and

**WHEREAS**, CLWA may occasionally receive, purchase, generate or otherwise gain ownership of tickets and passes to events for entertainment, amusement, recreational or similar purposes, and it wishes to avail the Agency and its officials, as defined for purposes of Government Code § 82048 and FPPC Regulations § 18701, of the ability to distribute tickets and passes pursuant to § 18944.1(b); and

**WHEREAS**, CLWA desires to use such tickets or passes to further its governmental and public purposes, which include enhancing water reliability; promoting CLWA programs and services, organizing and managing water conservation programs; supplying wholesale water to households and businesses in the Santa Clarita Valley and providing reliable and high quality water at a reasonable cost; and

**WHEREAS**, as provided in § 18944.1, such tickets and/or passes distributed in accordance with a duly adopted written policy are, when so distributed, not considered gifts to public officials; and

**WHEREAS**, the FPPC recognizes and has stated that the CLWA Board of Directors has discretion in determining whether the distribution of tickets and/or passes serves a legitimate public purpose of CLWA, provided that the determination is consistent with State law.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Castaic Lake Water Agency, as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby adopts the Ticket Distribution Policy, as follows:

#### **Castaic Lake Water Agency Ticket Distribution Policy**

##### **1. Definitions.**

- a. CLWA "Official" shall mean a Director, officer, employee, or consultant of CLWA as defined in Government Code Section 82048 and 2 Cal. Code Regs. Section 18701.

- b. "Ticket" shall mean a ticket or pass for admission to a facility, event, show, or other performance for an entertainment, amusement, recreational, or similar purpose that is received by CLWA from a public or private source, that is purchased by CLWA, or that is obtained by CLWA because of its control of the event or facility.
2. Purpose of Ticket Distribution Policy. The purpose of this Ticket Distribution Policy (Policy) is to ensure that Tickets, which are resources of CLWA, are distributed to further the public purposes of CLWA.
3. Limitation. This Policy shall only apply to CLWA's distribution of tickets to, or at the behest of, a CLWA Official.
4. Public Purposes for Ticket Distribution. The following list is illustrative of the public purposes that CLWA may accomplish by the distribution of tickets to, or at the behest of, a CLWA Official:
  - a. Representation of Santa Clarita Valley on federal, state and regional levels.
  - b. Encouragement of, and education about, water conservation programs.
  - c. Promotion of CLWA sponsored or supported community events and programs.
  - d. Promotion of specific programs sponsored or supported by CLWA;
  - e. Promotion of CLWA and the Santa Clarita Valley water community recognition, visibility, and/or profile on a local, state, national, or international scale.
  - f. Promotion of open government by CLWA Official appearances, participation, and/or availability at business, local government and/or community events.
  - g. Increasing public exposure to, and awareness of, the various educational programs available to the public through CLWA and CLWA sponsored programs.
  - h. Promotion of intergovernmental relations through activities and events involving other public entities.
  - i. Promotion of special events sponsored in whole or part by CLWA.
  - j. Attraction and retention of highly qualified employees in CLWA service.
  - k. Recognizing or rewarding meritorious service by a CLWA employee, promoting enhanced CLWA employee performance or morale, and recognizing contributions made to CLWA by former Officials and employees.
5. Requirement of Public Purpose. The distribution of any Ticket pursuant to this Policy shall accomplish some or all of CLWA's public purposes.
6. Prohibition Against Transfer. The transfer by any CLWA Official of any Ticket, distributed to such Official pursuant to this Policy, to any other person, except to members of the Official's immediate family for their personal use, is prohibited. No person receiving a Ticket pursuant to this Policy shall be permitted to sell, receive reimbursement for the value of, or further transfer any Ticket.

7. Posting Form 802 on CLWA website. Within 30 days of distributing a Ticket hereunder, CLWA will post a completed California Fair Political Practices Commission Form 802 in a prominent place on the CLWA website.
8. Agency Head. For purposes of posting California Fair Political Practices Commission Form 802, the CLWA General Manager or the General Manager's designee shall be the "Agency Head."

Section 2: This Policy shall be posted on CLWA's website in a prominent fashion.

Section 3: The distribution of tickets or passes pursuant to the Policy above shall be posted, using FPPC Form 802, in a prominent fashion on the CLWA website within 30 days of the distribution.